



UNIVERSITY
OF ALBERTA

Overview

2024-25 Undergraduate and Graduate Enrolment Report

Building our Community

Strategic management of enrolment is vital to supporting the University of Alberta in its objective to achieve “strategic enrolment growth among domestic and international learners, enabling more skilled young people to stay in Alberta and contribute to building the province.”

Date:

JANUARY 2025

The University of Alberta respectfully acknowledges that we are situated on Treaty 6 territory, traditional lands of First Nations and Métis people.



As of Dec. 1, 2024, the university's total enrolment has reached 46,201 (8,466 graduate students and 37,735 undergraduate students), a year-over-year increase of 3.3%.



APPLICANTS

The number of undergraduate applicants was higher than the previous year, with an increase of 5.5% (or 2,226 more applicants). The number of graduate applicants saw a decrease of 24.7% (or 3,424 fewer applicants).

UNDERGRADUATE

42,758
TOTAL APPLICANTS

28,537
ADMITTED

14,690
REGISTERED

GRADUATE

10,438
TOTAL APPLICANTS

3,315
ADMITTED

1,955
REGISTERED

ENROLMENT

UNDERGRADUATE

66.7%
ADMISSION RATE
PROPORTION OF APPLICANTS
WHO ARE ADMITTED

51.5%
YIELD RATE
PROPORTION OF ADMITTED
APPLICANTS WHO REGISTER

74.3%
**SIX-YEAR
COMPLETION RATE**
DIRECT-ENTRY PROGRAM
COMPLETED IN 6 YEARS

GRADUATE

31.8%
ADMISSION RATE
PROPORTION OF APPLICANTS
WHO ARE ADMITTED

8,466 graduate students work in 372 research areas with 218 official specializations.

2,781 PHD STUDENTS
(32.3%)

2,068 THESIS-BASED
MASTER'S (24.4%)

3,229 COURSE-BASED
MASTER'S (38.1%)

301 CERTIFICATE
STUDENTS (3.6%)

87 OTHER (VISITING,
WESTERN DEANS,
ETC.) (1.0%)



The University of Alberta continues to be a magnet for ambitious students who embody our mission to lead with purpose: “educating, researching and engaging in deliberate, purposeful ways – in order to make a lasting, positive difference.”

From a young age, I was fascinated by technology and how it transformed my way of living. I still remember the first time I saw a smartphone and how the voice assistant could solve the math problem I had been stuck on for hours in an instant. I also remember the first time I saw the term “AI” in the news in 2017 after it beat a world champion in the game Go. These early experiences and recent advancements of ChatGPT and other generative AI have fueled my passion for computers. The University of Alberta is highly regarded for its research in artificial intelligence, which is one of the key reasons why I chose to study here, and I am extremely excited about the incredible opportunities I will have to immerse myself in this field.

Shen, Science | China

As a graduate student at the University of Alberta, I have been deeply supported by many initiatives and professionals across diverse fields, including research practice and communication, holistic self-care and academic writing skills. I have had the opportunity to present at conferences locally, nationally and internationally, to volunteer with many different groups and to attend enriching presentations on a wide variety of topics. The diverse support offered here has increased my success and potential as a graduate student, and I am grateful for the many enriching experiences I have had so far, with more to come.

Laura, Human Ecology | Canada

DIVERSITY OF STUDENTS

Diversity in enrolment is a priority. We continue to nurture an increasingly diverse community while ensuring access for Albertans. Indigenous enrolment has reached a new historical high.



+11.3%

INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

+6.2%

OUT-OF-PROVINCE WITHIN CANADA STUDENTS

+0.1%

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



2,184 

INDIGENOUS ENROLMENT

+11.3% 

YEAR-OVER-YEAR INCREASE

4.7%

OF TOTAL POPULATION



8,299 

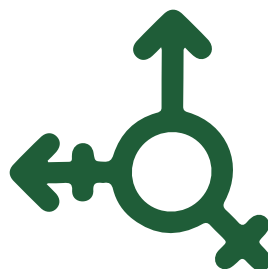
INTERNATIONAL ENROLMENT

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COUNTRIES REPRESENTED OVERALL

China, India, Iran, Nigeria, Bangladesh, Vietnam, Pakistan, Ukraine, the United States, Ghana and Korea each have 100+ students

STUDENTS BY GENDER



54.2% **WOMEN**

45.0% **MEN**

0.8% **ANOTHER GENDER CATEGORY**



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